

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) **CONFIDENTIAL** Approved For Release 2001/03/06 : CIA-RDP82-00457R000800410004-025X1 TOPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle 2735 in Meiningen

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1. Prior to 25 June 1951, Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) 2735 Meiningen had about 1,700 police. Its headquarters, the transportation Abteilung, the medical Abteilung and the three infantry Kommandos were located in the Alte Infanterie Kaserne on Knochenhauer Strasse, Meiningen, and 3 Abteilungen of the artillery Kommando and 2 Sonderabteilungen were located in the Fliegerschule, Suhl. The remaining 2 Abteilungen of the artillery Kommando and 5 Sonderabteilungen were in the Gendarmerie Kaserne, Suhl.

2. The officers of the VPD included:

Rank and NameAppointment

VP Chefinspekteur Berthold (fnu)  
 VP Kommandeur Raubach (fnu)  
 VP Obrerrat Lindner (fnu)  
 VP Rat Schoenherr (fnu)  
 VP Rat Mintschke (fnu)  
 VP Kommandeur Franz Woehner  
 VP Kommandeur Balthasar (fnu)  
 VP Rat Hoeft (fnu)

Commanding officer  
 Deputy VPD commander and PK officer  
 Chief of staff  
 First assistant chief of staff  
 Second assistant chief of staff  
 Director of training  
 Chief artillery instructor  
 Technical officer and chief armored instructor  
 Soviet colonel, in charge of polit-culture issues  
 Chief of Transportation Abteilung  
 Adjutant of operations officer  
 Administrative officer  
 Personnel officer  
 Liaison officer to the HVA and SSD  
 Chief of Party Control Commission  
 SED secretary  
 FDJ secretary  
 Propaganda officer  
 Assistant propaganda officer  
 Chief instructor.

VP Kommandeur Kontyev (fnu)  
 VP Unterkommissar Fischer (fnu)  
 VP Kommissar Merger (fnu)  
 VP Oberkommissar Walter Guenther  
 VP Kommissar Guenter (fnu)  
 VP Rat Reinhardt (fnu)  
 VP Obrerrat Ripberger (fnu)  
 VP Rat Schlegel (fnu)  
 VP Oberkommissar Hans Esche  
 VP Rat Hanig (fnu)  
 VP Oberkommissar Schubert (fnu)  
 VP Rat Mehwald (fnu)

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